

Another G.Wolfe book set in Urth milieu?

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Andrew Stevens — 14 Sep 1993, 10:39

Dear all,

Am I hallucinating?

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Reilly F. Hayes — 15 Sep 1993, 14:22 · follows Andrew Stevens

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Dani Zweig — 16 Sep 1993, 02:21 · follows Reilly F. Hayes

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The first book in the new series, "Nightside the Long Sun", has been out for a few months, and the second should be out some time this coming year. It takes place on what appears to be a huge generation spaceship, and the only evidence to date that it's in the same universe as The Book of the New Sun is in the cover blurbs. NtLS does not have the same magic as TBotNS, but it's very good nonetheless, and it could become better as the story progresses.

(Wolfe seems to be following the same pattern of exposing his protagonist to an increasingly large world. Just as "Shadow of the Torturer" only serves to get Severian out of the guild and then out of the city, while introducing us to his world, "Nightside the Long Sun" serves to get the protagonist (a priest of sorts) onto the streets and involved with the local underworld, while introducing us to his world.)

Dani Zweig

Patrick Nielsen-Hayden — 16 Sep 1993, 11:16 · follows Dani Zweig

rfh at das.ml.com (Reilly F. Hayes) writes:

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Ahem. CALDE OF THE LONG SUN is the _third_ volume of the new four-volume BOOK OF THE LONG SUN. The first volume, NIGHTSIDE THE LONG SUN, has been out in hardcover for several months and will appear in paperback this December. The second volume, LAKE OF THE LONG SUN, will appear in January 1994. CALDE OF THE LONG SUN will appear in late 1994. All from Tor.

(The British publisher is New English Library; the hardcover packages are identical.)

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